(b) Transcribe the following sentences.

(i) Good morning ma'am.

(ii) Good morning Arun. Have you finished your homework?

(iii) Yes ma'am. The book is on the table.

SECTION C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions.

16. Write an essay on the historical evolution of individual languages mediated by cultural transmission.

17. Give a detailed account on the producing by of English sounds.

18. Discuss the vowels and constants of English language.

19. Write about consonant and its various types.

20. Write about phonetic symbols.

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# FEN32/CEN32 — INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH PHONETICS

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Time : Three hours Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

1. Name the four properties of language.

2. How do humans acquire language?

3. Define phonetics.

4. List any four organs of speech.

5. What kind of an air flow does English have?

6. Explain the difference between vowel and a vowel sound.

7. Write the syllabic structure of the following words

(a) Reign

(b) know

8. What is 'Coda' in a syllable?

9. Give two examples of labio dental fricatives.

10. Transcribe the following words

(a) Happy

(b) No

(c) Brown

(d) Doctor.

SECTION B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

11. (a) Distinguish between human language and animal communication.

Or

(b) Differentiate between skimming and scanning with examples.

12. (a) Prepare a brief note on the tongue and its parts.

Or

(b) Write about various branches of phonetics.



13. (a) How can vowels sounds in English be classified?

Or

(b) Describe the respiratory system.

14. (a) Some words in English have strong and weak forms. Illustrate.

Or

(b) Elucidate the following terms.

(i) Stress

(ii) Rhythm

(iii) Intonation.

15. (a) Provide three part labels for the following sounds

(i) /p/

(ii) /g/

(iii) /f/

(iv) /θ/

(v) /ʃ/.

Or